IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL

DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESSES

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Applicants respectfully request amendment of this application under 37 CFR 1.312, as follows: